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SUBJECT: CPA – Training Opportunities for Conservation Planners

Purpose. To provide training information for NRCS employees interested in becoming certified conservation planners or being recertified as a conservation planner.

Expiration Date September 30, 2008.

Background NRCS planning personnel are required to become certified as conservation planners. Training needs to be obtained in a timely and comprehensive fashion for the certification system to be successful.

Action NRCS planning personnel should consult the following list of known training opportunities available for the next fiscal year and schedule those (with supervisor approval) that are appropriate:

	Subject of Training	When
1.	Interagency Wetland Awareness Training Geeseytown Fire Hall Blair County. Contact Barry Isaacs (717) 237-2219	Oct. 2-4, 2007
2.	Advanced No-Till Training PSU Landisville Contact Mark Goodson (717) 237-2146	Oct. 10&11, 2007
3.	ACA Training Berks County Contact Jana Malot (717) 237-2247 or Hosea Latshaw (717) 237-2	Oct. 10&11, 2007
4.	Keystone Crop and Soil Conference Holiday Inn - Grantville Contact Mark Goodson (717) 237-2146	Oct. 23&24, 2007
5.	Annual Statewide Project Grass Conference Washington, PA Contact Jana Malot (717) 237-2247	Oct. 24&25, 2007

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Subject of Training	When
 Nutrient Plan Writing Workshop State College Contact Mark Goodson (717) 237-2146 	Oct. 24&25, 2007
7. Conservation Planning Modules 6-8 Rock Springs Contact Tim Emenheiser (717) 237-2218	Oct. 29 - Nov. 1, 2007
8. Air Quality and Energy State Office Contact Tim Emenheiser (717) 237-2218	Dec. 4-6, 2007
9. Professional Crop Producers Conference Penn Stater - State College Contact Mark Goodson (717) 237-2146	Mar. 4-6, 2008
 Cultural Resources State Office Contact Tim Emenheiser (717) 237-2218 or Jeff Mahood (717) 	Late March 2008 237-2215
 PSU Diagnostic Clinic Rock Springs Contact Mark Goodson (717) 237-2146 	Late July 2008

These trainings (and others as they become known) with detailed information will be posted on the PA NRCS website and continuously updated for employee use. The link to retrieve training information is: http://www.pa.nrcs.usda.gov/intranet/training.html.

This information should be shared with Conservation District partners and TSPs operating in your area.

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